

# Customer Value Structures

State of Michigan LPI Methodology Activity 2





What  
is  
CVS?

CVS

CVS Stands for  
Customer Value  
Structures

CVS is an  
organized  
way to  
identify  
customer  
needs





and allows an  
evaluation of the  
current process to  
determine if the  
customer needs  
are being met



Why  
use  
CVS?



*CVS allows you to  
quantify customer  
needs that could be  
difficult to measure*



It helps identify  
gaps in the  
Current  
Process...

... and establishes  
a baseline for  
comparison to the  
Future Process



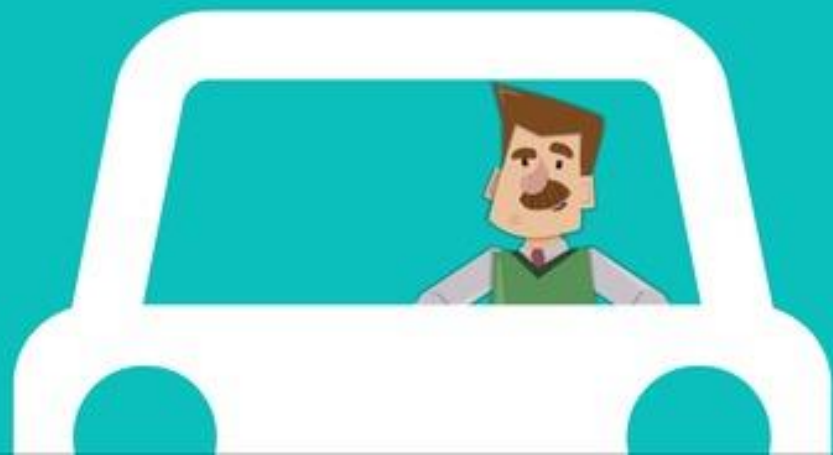
Let's see  
an  
example...

Welcome to Bad  
Burger, what would  
you like to eat?



When customers come  
to a fast food  
restaurant...

they have  
certain needs



As a service provider, it is your job to identify those needs in a CVS to ensure maximum customer satisfaction!





# LET'S FACILITATE THIS ACTIVITY



# START WITH A BLANK CVS CHART

Customer:				
Process:				
Customer Needs	Value (%)	Performance	Score	Gap
100				

# 1. IDENTIFY THE CUSTOMER AND PROCESS

Customer: <i>Fast Food Customer</i>				
Process: <i>Drive-Thru Service Process</i>				
Customer Needs	Value (%)	Performance	Score	Gap
100				

Tell the team to put on the  
"customer hat."



The CVS Chart will be  
from the customer's  
perspective



## 2. IDENTIFY THE CUSTOMER'S NEEDS



**Customer:** *Fast Food Customer*

**Process:** *Drive-Thru Service Process*

Customer Needs	Value (%)	Performance	Score	Gap
100				

Put your  
customer hat on

## 2. IDENTIFY THE CUSTOMER'S NEEDS



Customer: <i>Fast Food Customer</i>				
Process: <i>Drive-Thru Service Process</i>				
Customer Needs	Value (%)	Performance	Score	Gap
<i>Hot/Fresh</i>				
<i>Fast</i>				
<i>Cheap</i>				
<i>Accurate</i>				
100				

Remember...  
think like the  
customer to  
identify their  
needs!



# 3. ASSIGN PROBABLE VALUES



Provide a value for each of the customer needs from the CUSTOMER'S perspective

Customer: <i>Fast Food Customer</i>				
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Customer Needs	Value (%)	Performance	Score	Gap
<i>Hot/Fresh</i>				
<i>Fast</i>				
<i>Cheap</i>				
<i>Accurate</i>				
100				

There are 100 percentage points to distribute

# 3. ASSIGN PROBABLE VALUES

Start with the needs that have the highest value...

Customer: <i>Fast Food Customer</i>				
Process: <i>Drive-Thru Service Process</i>				
Customer Needs	Value (%)	Performance	Score	Gap
<i>Hot/Fresh</i>	<i>30</i>			
<i>Fast</i>	<i>15</i>			
<i>Cheap</i>	<i>25</i>			
<i>Accurate</i>	<i>30</i>			
<b>100</b>				

...then  
distribute the  
remaining  
points

Next, you will rank the performance from 0 to 1... with 1 indicating PERFECT performance

0 .1 .2 .3 .4 .5 .6 .7 .8 .9 1





# 4. RATE THE CURRENT PERFORMANCE

Consider how the current process is performing for each need from the CUSTOMER'S perspective

Customer: <i>Fast Food Customer</i>				
Process: <i>Drive-Thru Service Process</i>				
Customer Needs	Value (%)	Performance	Score	Gap
<i>Hot/Fresh</i>	<i>30</i>	<i>.6</i>		
<i>Fast</i>	<i>15</i>	<i>.3</i>		
<i>Cheap</i>	<i>25</i>	<i>.7</i>		
<i>Accurate</i>	<i>30</i>	<i>.8</i>		
<b>100</b>				

# 5. CALCULATE SCORES

The score reflects performance in terms of value to the customer

Customer: <i>Fast Food Customer</i>				
Process: <i>Drive-Thru Service Process</i>				
Customer Needs	Value (%)	Performance	Score	Gap
<i>Hot/Fresh</i>	<i>30</i>	<i>.6</i>	<i>18</i>	
<i>Fast</i>	<i>15</i>	<i>.3</i>	<i>4.5</i>	
<i>Cheap</i>	<i>25</i>	<i>.7</i>	<i>17.5</i>	
<i>Accurate</i>	<i>30</i>	<i>.8</i>	<i>24</i>	
<b>100</b>				

Value ~~X~~

Performance

= Score



# 6. CALCULATE GAPS

Gaps identify  
where to focus  
process  
improvement  
efforts

Customer: Fast Food Customer				
Process: Drive-Thru Service Process				
Customer Needs	Value (%)	Performance	Score	Gap
Hot/Fresh	30	.6	18	12
Fast	15	.3	4.5	10.5
Cheap	25	.7	17.5	7.5
Accurate	30	.8	24	6
100				

Value - Score

= Gap

# 7. IDENTIFY LARGEST GAPS

Address these  
gaps to  
continue to  
improve the  
process

Customer: <i>Fast Food Customer</i>				
Process: <i>Drive-Thru Service Process</i>				
Customer Needs	Value (%)	Performance	Score	Gap
<i>Hot/Fresh</i>	<i>30</i>	<i>.6</i>	<i>18</i>	<i>12</i>
<i>Fast</i>	<i>15</i>	<i>.3</i>	<i>4.5</i>	<i>10.5</i>
<i>Cheap</i>	<i>25</i>	<i>.7</i>	<i>17.5</i>	<i>7.5</i>
<i>Accurate</i>	<i>30</i>	<i>.8</i>	<i>24</i>	<i>6</i>
<b>100</b>				

# BRAINSTORM IDEAS TO REMOVE GAPS IDENTIFIED



Now that the largest  
gaps are identified...

**AREAS WHERE YOUR PROCESS FALLS  
SHORT OF CUSTOMER EXPECTATIONS**

...start the improvements  
there!







After a future process has been established, revisit the performance and recalculate the gaps





Use those ideas to determine how the team has increased customer satisfaction





**I just got awesome service at Bad Burger!  
It was fast, fresh, cheap, and accurate!**



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